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EL SALVADOR: FMLN NOTES DESTRUCTION OF ORO BRIDGE

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((WAR REPORT FROM GUAZAPA SECTOR OF MODESTO RAMIREZ CENTRAL FRONT IN EL SALVADOR--READ BY ANNOUNCER))

((TEXT)) ON 8 OCTOBER AN FMLN SQUAD LED BY COMMANDER PEPE HARRASSED AN ENEMY POSITION IN THE MILINGO CANTON AT THE JUNCTION LEADING TO (LAS MANTECAS) ON THE HIGHWAY FROM (SUCHITEPE), TO SAN MARTIN, INFLICTING TWO CASUALTIES ON THEM. OUR COMPANEROS WITHDREW WITHOUT ANY PROBLEM.

WE INFORM THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE AND THE REST OF THE WORLD'S PEOPLES THAT ON 14 OCTOBER OUR REVOLUTIONARY FORCES OF THE FRANCISCO SANCHEZ EASTERN FRONT CARRIED OUT AN IMPORTANT OPERATION IN THE SOUTHERN SECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF USULUTAN. OUR VARIOUS FORCES OPERATED IN A COORDINATED AND EFFECTIVE MANNER, AS FOLLOWS: THEY CAUSED THE ENEMY TO DESERT THE POSTS OF SAN NICOLAS LEMPA, TIERRA BLANCA AND SAN MARCOS LEMPA. THESE TOWNSHIPS WERE SURROUNDED SIMULTANEOUSLY AT 2300 HOURS AND OUR FORCES IMMOBILIZED THE ENEMY TROOPS. FMLN SAPPER SQUADS PLACED HIGH-POWERED EXPLOSIVES ON PUENTE DE ORO, WHICH HANGS OVER THE LEMPA RIVER, THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY, MANAGING TO DESTROY APPROXIMATELY 300 METERS OF THE BRIDGE AND TOTALLY INTERRUPTING THE FLOW OF VEHICLES ON THIS IMPORTANT COMMUNICATIONS ROUTE, WHICH VIRTUALLY SPLITS THE COUNTRY IN HALF. THE FIGHTING IN SAN MARCOS LEMPA, SAN NICOLAS LEMPA AND TIERRA BLANCA LASTED APPROXIMATELY 4 HOURS. THE TRAIN STATION AND NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADMINISTRATION INSTALLATIONS IN SAN MARCOS LEMPA WERE SABOTAGED. THIS JOINT ACTION BY THE FMLN'S REVOLUTIONARY FORCES CONFIRMS THE INVINCIBILITY OF OUR PEOPLE.
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